

d.) Remarks.

Applicant sincerely thanks Examiner Cross Younger for her time on March 2, 2006 during an Examiner Interview. Applicant respectfully submits the amendment and remarks in light of the comments made during the Interview.

Claims 1 and 15 have been amended to add the phrase “wherein said plurality of sensors are connected to a control station which provides information to a user on the activity of said plurality of sensors.” Support for this phrase is found in the specification at the bottom of page 6 and the top of page 7. Claim 17 has been amended to add the phrase, “wherein the user takes action in response to a detection.” Support for this phrase is found in the specification on page 7, first paragraph. Accordingly, no new matter has been added or new issues raised with these amendments, and claims 1-20 are currently pending.

The prior art references fail to teach that detection from sensors are relayed to a remote control station in order for a user to take immediate action in response to the detection. Further, as indicated during the Interview, Monson only teaches a fertilizer system using a mobile vehicle to travel between different areas for detecting soil patches and dispersion of an appropriate amount of fertilizer to that region.

Thus, application respectfully requests that the rejection of claims 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 11-15 and 17-20, under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), and also the rejection of claims 1-4, 6, 7, 9-12, 15 and 16, under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), be withdrawn, and that the claimed invention be considered free of all prior art rejections.

Conclusion

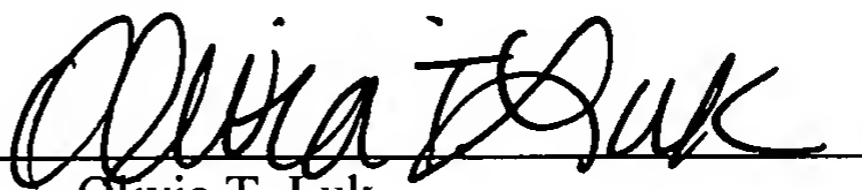
In view of the foregoing remarks, reconsideration of the application and issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

If there are any issues remaining which the Examiner believes could be resolved through either a Supplemental Response or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the number below.

Should additional fees be necessary in connection with the filing of this Responsive Amendment, or if a petition for extension of time is required for timely acceptance of same, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge **Deposit Account No. 50-1682** for any such fees, referencing **Attorney Docket No. 144590.00200**; and applicant hereby petitions for any needed extension of time not otherwise accounted for with this submission.

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